

## Claims

- [c1] A ballistic shield, comprising:
  - a shield having a front face and a reverse face and formed of a ballistic material;
  - a viewing window through the shield;
  - a handle associated with the shield; and
  - a firearm mounted to the shield and dischargeably operable when so mounted.
- [c2] The ballistic shield of claim 1, wherein the firearm is selected from the group consisting of: taser guns, pistols, revolvers, gas discharge firearms.
- [c3] The ballistic shield of claim 1, wherein the ballistic material is selected from the group consisting of: boron carbide, silicon carbide, silicon nitride, aluminum oxide, alumina ceramic, titanium diboride, reinforced fiberglass composite, reinforced fiber and polymer resin composite, and mixtures of such materials.
- [c4] The ballistic shield of claim 1, wherein the viewing window is formed from a material selected from the group consisting of: bullet proof glass and polycarbonate polymer.

- [c5] The ballistic shield of claim 1, wherein the handle is a forearm cuff.
- [c6] The ballistic shield of claim 1, wherein the firearm is a taser gun , and further comprising a battery mounted to the shield for charging the taser gun.
- [c7] The ballistic shield of claim 1, further comprising a disabling sensor to disable the firearm in response to a predetermined signal or a predetermined absence of a signal.
- [c8] The ballistic shield of claim 1, wherein the firearm is mounted so that it discharges in a direction substantially perpendicular to the front face of the shield.
- [c9] The ballistic shield of claim 1, wherein the firearm is mounted so that it discharges in a direction substantially parallel to the rear face of the shield.
- [c10] The ballistic shield of claim 1, further comprising a second firearm mounted to the shield.
- [c11] The ballistic shield of claim 10, wherein the second firearm is mounted so that it discharges in a direction substantially parallel to the rear face of the shield.
- [c12] The ballistic shield of claim 1, further comprising a sec-

ond weapon mounted to the rear face of the shield.

- [c13] The ballistic shield of claim 1, further comprising one or more communications accessories mounted to the shield.
- [c14] The ballistic shield of claim 13, wherein the communications accessories are selected from the group consisting of: radio, camera, digital camera, video camera, cellular phone, cellular video, audio speaker, megaphone, homing signaling device, and global positioning transponder.
- [c15] The ballistic shield of claim 1, further comprising one or more mirrors associated with the viewing window to extend the field of vision through said viewing window.
- [c16] The ballistic shield of claim 1, further comprising one or more light sources mounted to the shield.
- [c17] The ballistic shield of claim 1, wherein shield is employable and the firearm is dischargeable with a single arm operation.
- [c18] A ballistic shield, comprising:
  - a shield having a front face and a reverse face and formed of a ballistic material;
  - a viewing window through the shield;
  - a handle associated with the shield;

a first firearm mounted to the shield and dischargeably operable when so mounted;

a second firearm mounted to the shield and dischargeably operable when so mounted, wherein said second firearm is mounted so as to discharge in a direction that is different from a discharge direction of said first firearm;

one or more light sources mounted to the shield; and

a disabling sensor to disable the firearms in response to a predetermined signal or a predetermined absence of a signal.